GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR & RD Dept. – Allegations of irregularities in execution of Road works of PR Department under MNP Grants (Indiramma Scheme), Achanta Mandal, West Godavari District against (1) Sri K. Kumar, EE, PR Divn., Narsapuram, (2) Sri K. Ramakrishna, Dy.EE, PR Sub-Divn., and (3) Sri Ch. Ashok, AE, PR, Spl. Section, Palakollu of West Godavari district – Disciplinary action initiated against the Charged Officers – Enquiry Conducted – Charges are not held proved – Disagreed with enquiry report – Enquiry report communicated- Explanation submitted – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.416 **Dated:14.06.2017**
Read the following:-

1. From the GA(V&E) Dept., Vigilance Report No.123 (1132/V&E/E2/07) Dt.06.08.2008
2. G.O.Rt.No.1360, PR & RD (Vig.II) Dept., dt.22.09.2009.
3. G.O.Rt.No.1361, PR & RD (Vig.II) Dept., dt.22.09.2009.
4. G.O.Rt.No.1362, PR & RD (Vig.II) Dept., dt.22.09.2009.
5. From the ENC, PR, Hyd., Lr.No.Vig(2)/3804/09, Dt.15.10.09.
6. G.O.Rt.No.1692, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, Dt.13.09.2012.
7. From Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, Member, COI, GA(COI.LP) Department, D.O.Lr.No.296/COI.LP/2012-1, Dt.17.12.2012.
8. Govt.Memo.No.20534/Vig.II/A2/2008-5, PR&RD (Vig.II) Department, Dt.08.05.2013.
9. From Sri K.Kumar, EE, PRI Division, Jagityal, Explanation, Dt.02.07.2013.
10. From Sri Ch.Ashok, AE, PR, Achanta, W.G. Dist., Explanation, Dt.12.07.2013.
11. From ENC, PR, Lr.No.Vig.II(2)/3804/09, Dt.04.07.2016.

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ORDER:-

In the references 2nd to 4th read above, article of charges were framed against (1) Sri K. Kumar, Executive Engineer, PR Divn., Narsapuram, (2) Sri K. Ramakrishna, Deputy Executive Engineer, PR Sub-Divn., and (3) Sri Ch. Ashok, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Spl. Section, Palakollu of West Godavari District, on the allegations of irregularities in execution of Road works of PR Department under MNP Grants (Indiramma Scheme), Achanta Mandal, West Godavari District.

2. In the reference 5th read above, the Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj has furnished the written statement of defence submitted by the three charged officers.

3. After careful examination of the Written Statement of Defences submitted by Charged Officers, Government, in the reference 6th read above, have appointed Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, IAS, Commissioner of Inquires as Inquiry Authority under Rule 20 (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 to conduct departmental enquiry against the above said charged officers on the charges framed.

4. Sri Lingaraj Panigrahi, Member, Commissioner of Inquiries, General Administration (COI.LP) Department, has submitted enquiry report, vide reference 7th read above. In the enquiry report, Enquiry Officer, has stated that the charges framed against the charged officers, i.e. (1) Sri K. Kumar, Executive Engineer, PR Divn., Narsapuram, (2) Sri K. Ramakrishna, Deputy Executive Engineer, PR Sub-Divn., and (3) Sri Ch. Ashok, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Spl. Section, Palakollu of West Godavari District, held not proved.

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5. The Government disagreed with the findings of the Inquiry Authority, since, the grounds on which the Inquiry Authority accepted the opinion that the charge-2 is not true is not known. Further declaring that there is no need to test the gravel once again if it came from the approved quarry is also not appearing reasonable, especially when the V&E categorically stated that it was rather brick powder and fly ash. Regarding the finding of the Inquiry Authority that the sinking of the road doesn't deserve to be taken into cognizance on account that the payment was made only after the final check by the QC wing and further recovery is already made based on the report of the V&E department is mutually conflicting. Hence, the Inquiry authority needs to be differed with and charges 1&2 to be considered as proved

6. In the reference 8th read above, Government have communicated a copy of enquiry report with disagreement, to 1) Sri K. Kumar, Executive Engineer, 2) Sri K. Rama Krishna, Deputy Executive Engineer and 3) Sri Ch. Ashok, Assistant Engineer under Rule 21 (2) of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 and they are directed to submit their representations, if any, on the enquiry report.

7. Sri K.Kumar, Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Jagityal and Sri Ch.Ashok, Assistant Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Achanta, West Godavari District, have submitted their explanation on the enquiry report, vide references 9th & 10th read above respectively. Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, has forwarded the explanation of Sri K.Ramakrishna, Deputy Executive Engineer, vide reference 11th read above.

8. After careful examination of the matter, Government, have decided and ordered not to warrant further action against 1) Sri K. Kumar, Executive Engineer, 2) Sri K. Rama Krishna, Deputy Executive Engineer and 3) Sri Ch. Ashok, Assistant Engineer, in this case.

9. Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, shall take further action accordingly.

ANIL CHANDRA PUNETHA
Chief Commissioner of Land Administration &
Special Chief Secretary & Principal Secretary to
Government (PR&RWS Department I/c)

To
The individuals **through** Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Copy to:-
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The General Administration (V&E) Department.
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